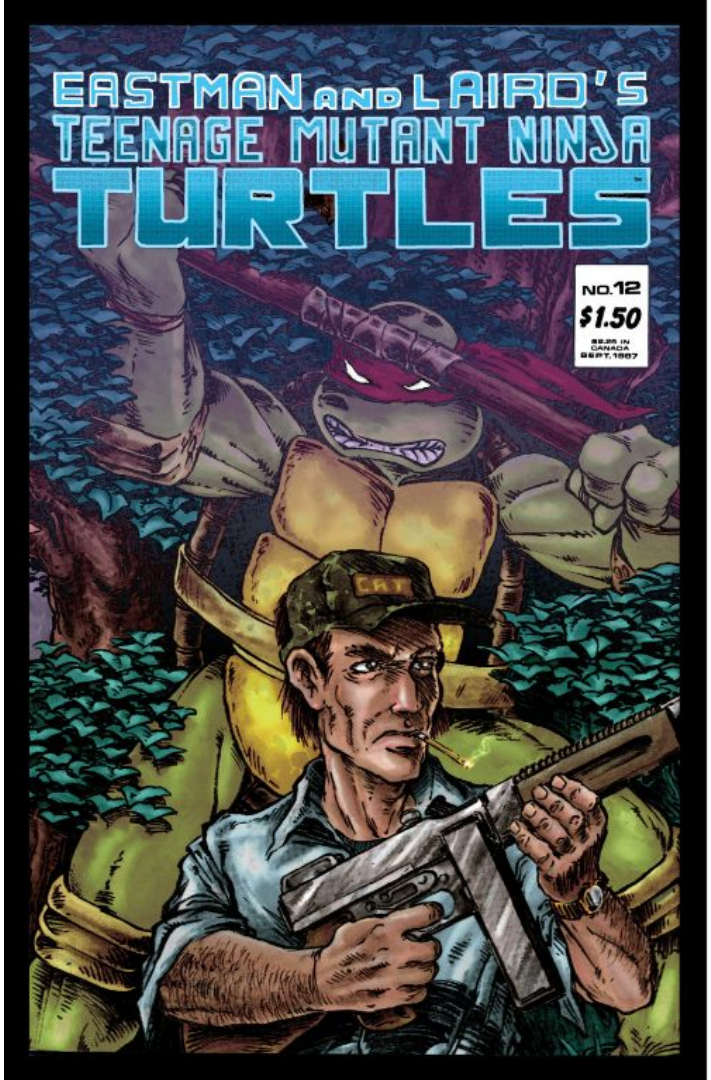
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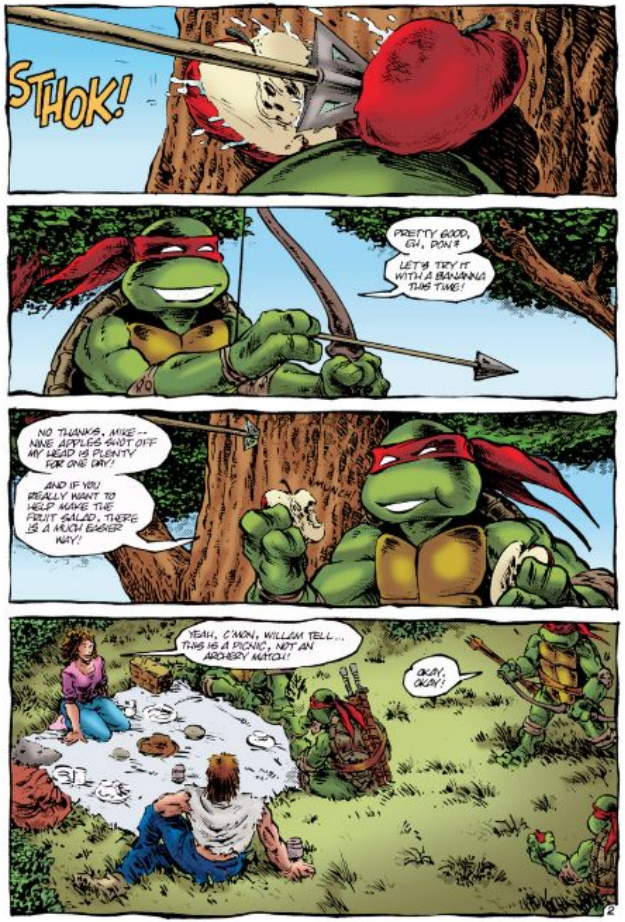
STHOK!
PRETTY GOOD, EH, DON?
LET'S TRY IT WITH A BANANA THIS TIME!
NO THANKS, MIKE -- NINE APPLES SHOT OFF MY HEAD IS PLENTY FOR ONE DAY!
AND IF YOU REALLY WANT TO HELP MAKE THE FRUIT SALAD, THERE IS A MUCH EASIER WAY!
YEAH, C'MON, WILLIAM TELL... THIS IS A PICNIC, NOT AN ARCHERY MATCH!
OKAY, OKAY!
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HURRY UP AN' CHOW DOWN, DUDES!
SPLINTER SAYS HE'LL TEACH ME SOME NINJA STUFF AFTER LUNCH!
WHATEVER!
THAT'S NINJUTSU, CASEY!
ARCHERY SURE WORKS UP A THIRST -- IS THAT DIET PEPSI COLD?
HERE, MIKE -- HAVE A HUMMUS SALAD POCKET!
HEY-- SHH!
THAT NOISE... SOMEONE'S COMING -- FAST!
THE ROCHES
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YAAAHHH!
THE ROCHES
LETTERING: STEVE LAVIGNE
EVERYTHING ELSE: PETER LAIRD

AAAHHHH!!
M-MY GLASSES-- W-WHERE ARE THEY?
I CAN'T SEE A THING WITHOUT MY GLASSES!
OH... REALLY?
KRUNCH
WHOOPS! DIDN'T SEE 'EM LYING THERE!
YOU JERK! WHERE D'YOU GET OFF RUININ' OUR PICNIC?!
P-PICNIC?
WHY, I OUGHTA POUND YOU!
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Y-YOU'RE JUST HAVING A... PICNIC? YOU'RE NOT WITH THOSE CRAZY SURVIVALISTS?
T-THANK GOD! I THOUGHT I HAD IT FOR CERTAIN!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU JABBERIN' ABOUT?
CASEY, PUT HIM DOWN...
NOW, JUST BE CALM... DON'T BE AFRAID... AND START FROM THE BEGINNING. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
M-MY NAME IS MICHAEL MURPHY... I--I'M A GRAD STUDENT IN PHYSICS AT U-MASS...
...BUT FOR THE LAST FIVE WEEKS I'VE BEEN THE PRISONER OF A BUNCH OF LUNATICS!
THE ROLLING STONES
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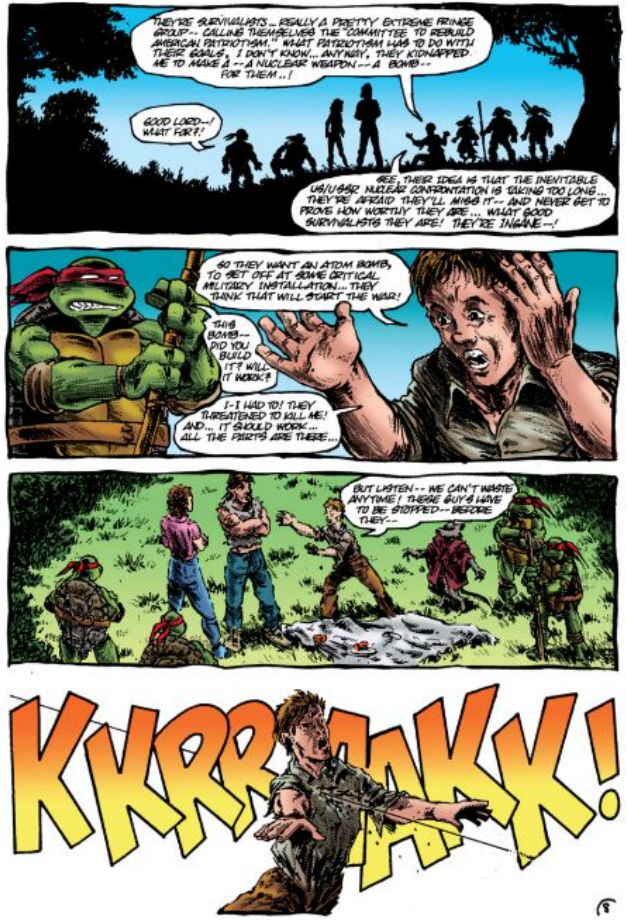
THEY'RE SURVIVALISTS... REALLY A PRETTY EXTREME FRINGE GROUP-- CALLING THEMSELVES THE "COMMITTEE TO REBUILD AMERICAN PATRIOTISM." WHAT PATRIOTISM HAS TO DO WITH THEIR GOALS, I DON'T KNOW... ANYWAY, THEY KIDNAPPED ME TO MAKE A --A NUCLEAR WEAPON-- A BOMB-- FOR THEM..!
GOOD LORD--! WHAT FOR?!
SEE, THEIR IDEA IS THAT THE INEVITABLE US/USSR NUCLEAR CONFRONTATION IS TAKING TOO LONG... THEY'RE AFRAID THEY'LL MISS IT-- AND NEVER GET TO PROVE HOW WORTHY THEY ARE... WHAT GOOD SURVIVALISTS THEY ARE! THEY'RE INSANE--!
SO THEY WANT AN ATOM BOMB, TO SET OFF AT SOME CRITICAL MILITARY INSTALLATION... THEY THINK THAT WILL START THE WAR!
THIS BOMB-- DID YOU BUILD IT? WILL IT WORK?
I--I HAD TO! THEY THREATENED TO KILL ME! AND... IT SHOULD WORK... ALL THE PARTS ARE THERE...
BUT LISTEN-- WE CAN'T WASTE ANYTIME! THESE GUYS HAVE TO BE STOPPED-- BEFORE THEY--
KKRRAKK!

CASEY..!
HIT THE DIRT, APRIL!
LEO, IS HE--?!
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE AN IMMEDIATELY FATAL WOUND... BUT HE'S BLEEDING PRETTY HEAVILY!
SHREDDER!
CAN'T SEE ANYONE..!
WHOEVER'S SHOOTING AT US...
MUST BE USING A TELESCOPIC SIGHT!
DAMN...

...I THINK I JUST WOUNDED THAT FOOL!
PRETTY GOOD SHOT, SVONK -- 600 YARDS THROUGH HEAVY BRUSH!
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SOMETHIN' WEIRD GOIN' ON... DITCHDO SEE THEM KIDS IN THEM... TURTLE COSTUMES?
YES... I SAW THEM... AND THE BIG DUDE AND THE CHICK, AND THEIR DOG.
TOO BAD THEY RAN INTO OUR FRIEND...
...NOW THEY'RE ALL HISTORY.
PEWAC, CHET-- HEAD DOWN THAT GORGE ON THE LEFT... SPUDS AND RUBES, YOU GO RIGHT, FOLLOW THAT STREAM...
...I'LL TAKE THE MIDDLE...
THEY'LL PROBABLY TRY A FLANKING MOVE... WE HAVE TO GET THIS KID OUT OF HERE!
THE CAR'S NOT TOO FAR AWAY, LEO -- CASEY AND I CAN TAKE LUU TO THE HOSPITAL... CAN YOU GUYS KEEP THOSE SURVIVALISTS OFF OUR BACKS?
NO PROBLEM, APRIL!
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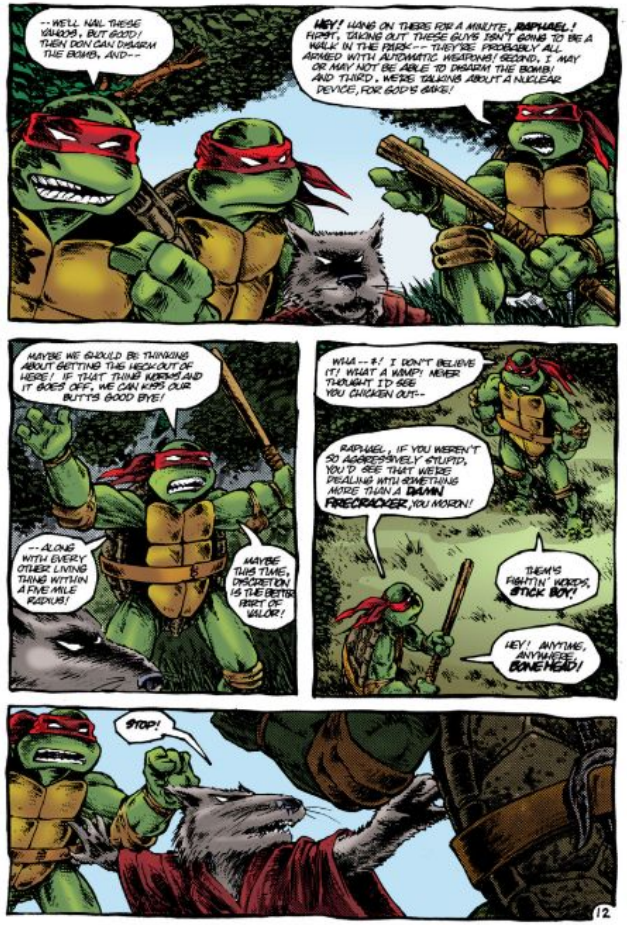
--WE'LL NAIL THESE YAHOOS, BUT GOOD! THEN DON CAN DISARM THE BOMB, AND--
HEY! HANG ON THERE FOR A MINUTE, RAPHAEL! FIGHT, SHOOT OUT, THESE GUYS DON'T GONNA TO BE A WALK IN THE PARK--THEY'RE PROBABLY ALL ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS! SECOND, I MAY OR MAY NOT BE ABLE TO DISARM THE BOMB! AND THIRD, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A NUCLEAR DEVICE, FOR GOD'S SAKE!
MAYBE WE SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT GETTING THIS HECK OUT OF HERE! IF THAT THING WORKS AND IT GOES OFF, WE CAN KISS OUR BUTTS GOOD BYE!
--ALONG WITH EVERY OTHER LIVING THING WITHIN A FIVE MILE RADIUS!
MAYBE THIS TIME, DISCRETION IS THE BETTER PART OF VALOR!
WHA--?! I DON'T BELIEVE IT! WHAT A WIMP! NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE YOU CHICKEN OUT--
RAPHAEL, IF YOU WEREN'T SO AGGRESSIVELY STUPID, YOU'D SEE THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH SOMETHING MORE THAN A DAMN FIRECRACKER, YOU MORON!
THEM'S FIGHTIN' WORDS, STICK BOY!
HEY! ANYTIME, ANYWHERE, BONEHEAD!
STOP!
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DONATELLO HAS A VALID POINT--THERE ARE HUMAN AGENCIES TO DEAL WITH THINGS LIKE THIS. OUR TASK NOW IS TO GET THIS WOUNDED BOY TO SAFETY... AND TO DO THAT, WE MUST ACT AS A REAR GUARD FOR CASEY AND APRIL!
TAKE HIM TO COOLEY-DICKINSON, APRIL--IT'S CLOSEST! WE'LL MEET BACK AT THE FARM. BE CAREFUL... BUT BE SWIFT!
YOU TOO, SPLINTER! GOOD LUCK!
GEEZE...! I'D RATHER STAY HERE AND KNOCK SOME HEADS!
YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, MY SONS... REMEMBER YOUR STEALTH TRAINING!
... I ONLY PRAY THAT OUR SKILLS WILL BE ENOUGH!
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PEWK, TAKE THAT LEFT TRAIL ... I'LL JAB RIGHT... SHOOT ANYTHING THAT MOVES!
BAF!
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BRRRAAP!
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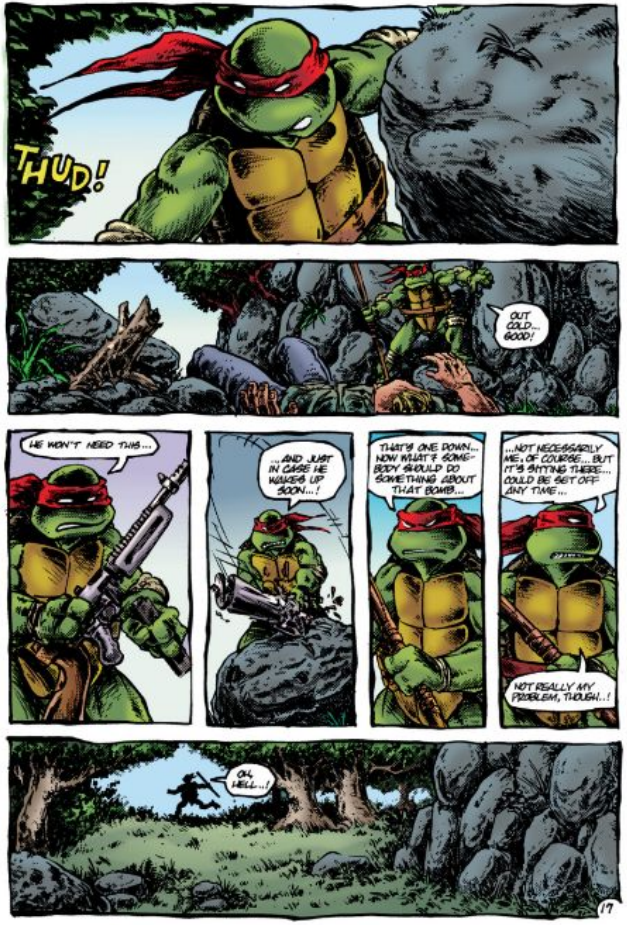
THUD!
OUT COLD... GOOD!
HE WON'T NEED THIS...
...AND JUST IN CASE HE WAKES UP SOON...!
THAT'S ONE DOWN... NOW WHAT'S SOMEBODY SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT BOMB...
...NOT NECESSARILY ME, OF COURSE... BUT IT'S SITTING THERE... COULD BE SET OFF ANY TIME...
NOT REALLY MY PROBLEM, THOUGH...!
OH, HELL...!
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TAP!
WHAJJ!?
YAAAH!!!
HEY, PAL -- DIDN'T YOUR MOM TELL YOU ABOUT THESE THINGS? -- "YOU'LL PUT YOUR EYE OUT, KID!"
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H-HEY-- STAY B-BACK--!
-- I KNOW HOW TO USE THIS THING, MAN!
OOOH..!
THIS IS JUST TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE!
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I SENSE THAT YOU ARE THE ONE NAMED GHONK--
ABANDON YOUR MAD QUESTING -- IT WILL BRING ONLY GRIEF!
IF YOU DO NOT -- WE MUST STOP YOU!
YEAH? TRY STOPPIN' SOME OF THIS, JED'S PUPPY CHOW, ROVER!
NOW... HUH!?
WHERE'D IT GO?
POINT BLANK RANGE-- I COULDN'T HAVE MISSED IT...!
AAGH!
--UGGCCK!!!
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AARRH!-- THAT HURT--!
DAMN! 'TAKIN' KUNG-FU NUTTS -- THIS WORLD IS REALLY GOIN' TO HELL!
THAT NERVE WAS SHOULD HAVE RENDERED YOU HELPLESS-- YOU ARE INDEED A STRONG ONE...
HOLD STILL, YOU FLEA-BITTEN--!
PERHAPS A COMBE STROKE...
...HERE!
CHOK!
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SUBTLETY OVER STRENGTH... A VALUABLE LESSON FOR YOU, SHONK...
UHH!... OW... M-MY SIDE...!
TAKE HEED OF IT... AND ACCEPT AN HONORABLE SURRENDER!
EVEN NOW, MY STUDENTS ARE DISMANTLING YOUR PLANS... DISMANTLING YOUR MACHINERY OF HATE!
YOU? I'LL DECIDE WHO STOP HERE...!
GUESS AGAIN, FREAK!
YOUF!
I'M NOT THROUGH YET--!
...UH?... UHH... MUCH STRONGER... THAN I THOUGHT!
JUST GOTTA GET BACK--
--TO THE BUNKER!
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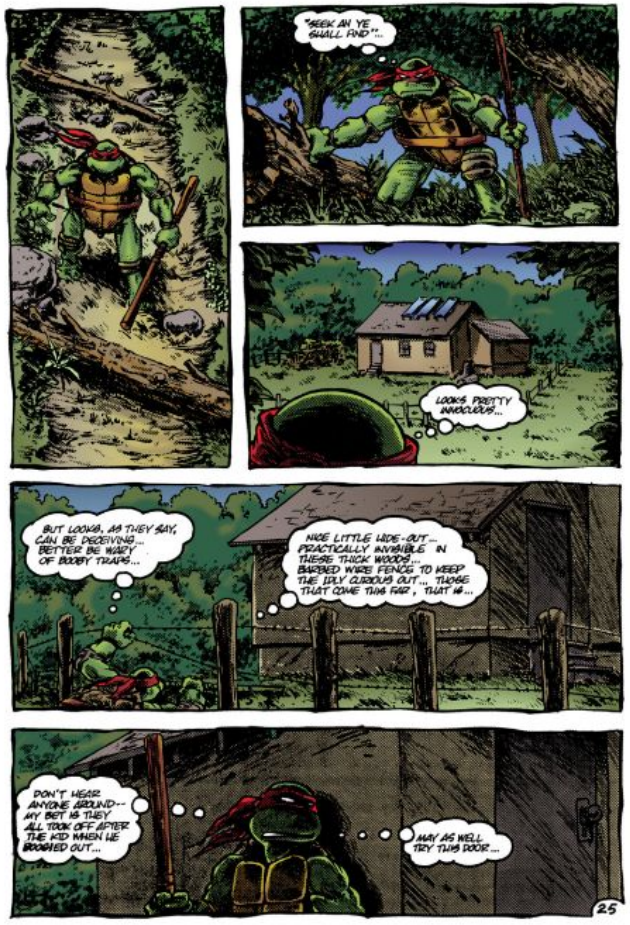
"SEEK AN YE SHALL FIND"...
LOOKS PRETTY ANCIENT...
BUT LOOKS, AS THEY SAY, CAN BE DECEIVING... BETTER BE WARY OF BOOBY TRAPS...
NICE LITTLE HIDE-OUT... PRACTICALLY INVISIBLE IN THESE THICK WOODS... BARBED WIRE FENCE TO KEEP THE UGLY CURIOUS OUT... THOSE THAT COME THIS FAR, THAT IS...
DON'T HEAR ANYONE AROUND-- MY BET IS THEY ALL TOOK OFF AFTER THE KID WHEN HE BOOGIED OUT...
MAY AS WELL TRY THIS DOOR...
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I'M SURPRISED AT THE LACK OF SURVEILLANCE ELECTRONICS... THEY MUST HAVE BEEN PRETTY CONFIDENT ABOUT THEIR ISOLATED LOCATION...
THEN AGAIN, WHO EVER THINKS THEIR NEIGHBOR IS BUILDING AN A-BOMB?!
CLICK!
OOK!
SO MUCH FOR A WELCOME MAT..!
NOW WHERE WOULD I STORE A NUCLEAR DEVICE...?
PROBABLY...
BINGO!
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GEEZ, BUBBA, I DON'T KNOW... THIS IS ALL STARTIN' TO LOOK LIKE A BAD IDEA..!
JEA! BE COOL, BRUDS... REMEMBER, WE GOT FIREPOWER! AND ONCE WE ICE THAT KID, WE'RE HOME FREE!
I-I GUESS I DON'T EXPECT WE'D HAVE TO KILL ANYBODY..!
SPUDS, YOU TURKEY-- WHAT'D YA THINK THE BOMB WAS FOR!?
OH... RIGHT...
AH SWEAR, SPUDS, SOMETIMES YOU--
WHA--?!
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WHUF!
FZKK!
GRRR!
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YUGGA YUGGA!
TRUST ME, PAL— YOU NEED THIS BUTT! HEH, HEH!
RAPHAEL, STOP! DON'T KILL THAT MAN!
AW, HECK— JUST HAVIN' A LIL' FUN! OH, WELL...
BAP!
...G'NITE, GRACE!
THOSE TWO ARE NEUTRALIZED, MASTER SPLINTER...
...AND MICHELANGELO SAYS HE AND DONATELLO TOOK OUT TWO OTHERS THAT LEAVES THE LEADER, SHOWK...
...WELL, I'M SORRY TO SAY, ESCAPED FROM ME... AND I BELIEVE HE HEADED BACK TO HIS BOSS!
DONATELLO IS MISSING... WE'LL LOOK FOR HIM LATER, BUT FOR NOW WE MUST TRY TO STOP SHOWK QUICKLY!
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GOT TO ASSUME THE OTHERS DIDN'T MAKE IT BACK... SO NOW I'M ALONE...
...IT'S UP TO ME TO CARRY OUT WHAT'S LEFT OF OUR PLAN!
SOMEHOW, I KNEW IT WOULD COME DOWN TO THIS... ME--
AND MY RADIO-CONTROLLED TRIGGER!
THOSE WEIRDOS WILL BE COMING SOON... GOT TO GAIN THE HIGH GROUND... MAKE MY LAST STAND...!
HORATIO AT THE BRIDGE... CUSTER AT LITTLE BIG HORN... ME ON THIS ROOF... DIFFERENT TIMES, DIFFERENT MEN...
...BUT ALL ESSENTIALLY THE SAME!
HAHA... LOOKS LIKE I GOT UP HERE JUST IN TIME...!
HAH!
YOU'RE TOO LATE, YOU COMMIE FREAKS!
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MASTER SPLINTER! IS THAT--?!
SHUNK! LISTEN TO ME! YOU MUST CONSIDER YOUR PATH MORE CAREFULLY--
--CONSIDER THE THOUSANDS OF INNOCENTS WHO WILL PERISH IF YOU UNLEASH THE FURY OF YOUR BOMBS!
CAN IT, FIDO -- I DON'T TAKE ORDERS FROM FLEA-BITTEN COMMIE RATS LIKE YOU!
IN THIS LITTLE BOX I HOLD POWER! AND EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T USE IT THE WAY I PLANNED -- I WILL USE IT!
BESIDES -- THERE ARE NO INNOCENTS! WE ARE ALL GUILTY OF LETTING AMERICA SLIDE FROM GREATNESS INTO THE MUCK OF MEDIOCRITY -- ALLOWING OUR PERFECT NATION TO BECOME A HAVEN FOR UNWHOLESOME ALIENS LIKE YOU!
THE COMMITTEE TO REBUILD AMERICAN PATRIOTISM WOULD HAVE CHANGED ALL THAT-- WE WOULD HAVE BEGUN A NUCLEAR TIDAL WAVE WHICH WOULD HAVE SWEPT THIS COUNTRY-- THE WORLD -- CLEAN!
MASTER SPLINTER, HE'S OVER THE EDGE!
WHY MUST OTHERS DIE FOR YOUR "STATEMENT," SHUNK? CAN YOU NOT THINK OF A LESS LETHAL MANNER OF COMMUNICATION?!
NO! NOBODY NOTICES-- UNLESS THERE'S BLOOD!
AND NOBODY CHANGES-- UNLESS THERE'S DEATH!
NOBODY LISTENS -- UNLESS THERE'S PAIN!
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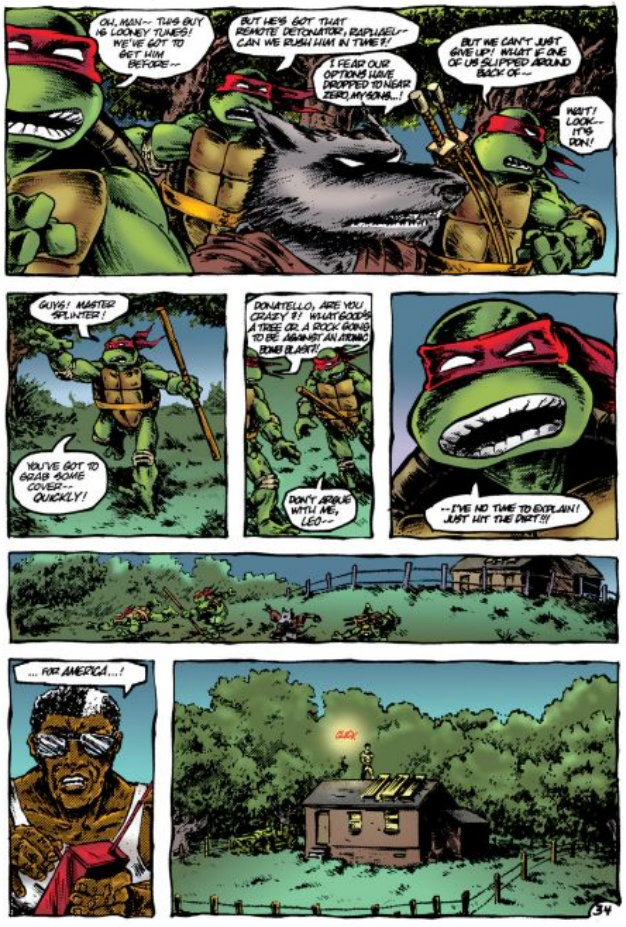
OH, MAN-- THIS GUY IS LOONEY TUNES! WE'VE GOT TO GET HIM BEFORE--
BUT HE'S GOT THAT REMOTE DETONATOR, RAPHAEL-- CAN WE RUSH HIM IN TIME?!
I FEAR OUR OPTIONS HAVE DROPPED TO NEAR ZERO, MY SONS...!
BUT WE CAN'T JUST GIVE UP! WHAT IF ONE OF US SLIPPED AROUND BACK OF--
WAIT! LOOK-- IT'S DON!
GUYS! MASTER SPLINTER!
YOU'VE GOT TO GRAB SOME COVER-- QUICKLY!
DONATELLO, ARE YOU CRAZY?! WHAT GOOD'S A TREE OR A ROCK GOING TO BE AGAINST AN ATOMIC BOMB BLAST!
DON'T ARGUE WITH ME, LEO--
--I'VE NO TIME TO EXPLAIN! JUST HIT THE DIRT!!
... FOR AMERICA...!
CLICK
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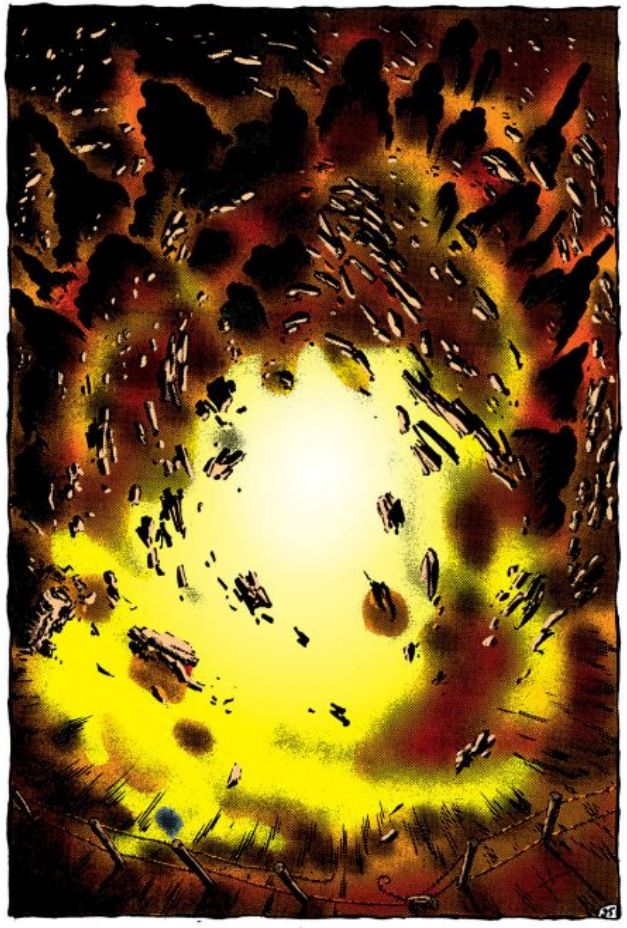

EPILOGUE:
MICHAEL'S DOING PRETTY GOOD -- DOC AT COOLEY DICK SAYS HE'LL BE UP AND AROUND IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS!
HE'S A NICE KID... BLIND AS A BAT WITHOUT HIS GLASSES, THOUGH!
THAT'S GOOD NEWS...
...AND A GOOD THING FOR US THAT HE'S!
MY ONLY REGRET IS THAT THOSE OTHER MEMBERS OF C.R.A.P. WOKE UP AND TOOK OFF BEFORE WE COULD GET BACK TO THEM!
I DOUBT THEY WILL CAUSE ANY MAJOR TROUBLE, LEONARDO-- SHONKC WAS THE HEART AND SOUL OF THEIR GROUP...
BY THE WAY, DONATELLO-- OUR THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR GOOD WORK UNDER PRESSURE! BY REMOVING THE PLUTONIUM CORE OF THE BOMB, YOU RENDERED IT RELATIVELY HARMLESS...
YOU SOUND SAD, DON...
I GUESS... CERTAINLY THE SHAPED EXPLOSIVE CHARGES MADE A BIG ENOUGH BANG, THOUGH FAR FROM THE INTENDED FISSION REACTION.
SHOULDN'T I BE, APRIL? A MAN DIED YESTERDAY-- A SICK, DELUDED, MISGUIDED MAN, YES -- BUT STILL A LIVING BEING.
I COULD NEVER AGREE WITH HIS LOGIC OR METHODS...
...BUT I CAN SYMPATHIZE WITH HIS MOST BASIC AIM!
AFTER ALL, IN THIS WORLD PLAGUED BY TERRORISM AND POISED ON THE BRINK OF NUCLEAR ARMAGEDDON...
...WHO DOESN'T WANT TO SURVIVE?
THE END